

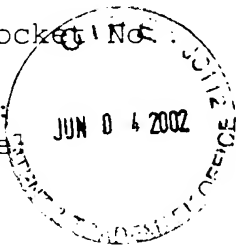
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2000, which is herein incorporated by reference in its
entireties.---

In the claims:

Please amend claims 14 and 15 as follows:

14. (amended) A method for diagnosing and monitoring the
presence and metastases of lung cancer in a patient, comprising
the steps of:

(a) determining an amount of the nucleic acid molecule
of claim 1 or a polypeptide of claim 11 in a sample of a patient;
and

(b) comparing the amount of the determined nucleic
acid molecule or the polypeptide in the sample of the patient to
the amount of the lung specific marker in a normal control;
wherein a difference in the amount of the nucleic acid molecule
or the polypeptide in the sample compared to the amount of the
nucleic acid molecule or the polypeptide in the normal control is
associated with the presence of lung cancer.

15. (amended) A kit for detecting a risk of cancer or
presence of cancer in a patient, said kit comprising a means for
determining the presence the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 or
a polypeptide of claim 11 in a sample of a patient.